

## **SAN DIEGO YOUTH SYMPHONY AND CONSERVATORY**

**Job Title:** Substitute Community Teaching Artist

**Reports to:** Community Opus Program Manager

**Employment Status:** Independent Contractor

### **About This Position**

The San Diego Youth Symphony and Conservatory (SDYS) is seeking substitute Teaching Artists to teach group sectionals and/or conduct and teach full ensembles, on an as-needed basis. Our Teaching Artists build musical skills, teach fundamentals, bring out creativity, serve as mentors and role models, and build community to beginner and intermediate musicians in our Community Programs.

### **About the San Diego Youth Symphony**

The San Diego Youth Symphony and Conservatory (SDYS)'s mission is to instill excellence in the musical and personal development of students through rigorous and inspiring musical training experiences. We do this through both our traditional youth symphony programming (Conservatory Programs) and our neighborhood-centered programming (Community Programs). Our vision is to make music education accessible and affordable for all.

### **Position Responsibilities**

- Teach appropriate pedagogy in sectionals or conduct full ensembles
- Communicate with Community Opus Program Manager for assigned lesson content
- Teach and model instrument care/maintenance and expected behavior
- Encourage learning and performance activities that build self-confidence and leadership
- Supervise students at rehearsals or concerts
- Record attendance and pass out flyers to students/families when requested

### **Qualifications**

- Strong musical skills on a string or wind instrument
- Group lesson or full ensemble teaching experience
- Culturally sensitive
- Flexibility and problem solving skills for situations that change or do not go as planned
- Ability to be a team player and enhance a team that is passionate about making music education accessible and affordable for all youth

### **Preferred Qualifications**

- Experience teaching diverse learners beginning music skills, preferably with elementary school students
- Bilingual (Spanish)

### **Work Schedule**

The schedule depends on how far in advance a substitute is requested, and whether you have availability. Time is generally from 3:15 to 5:45 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday at an elementary school in Chula Vista.

*Does this sound like you? If so, we'd love to meet you. Email your resume and a thoughtful cover letter to [hr@sdys.org](mailto:hr@sdys.org).*